

## **UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

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Magalie R. Salas, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First St., N.E., Room 1A Washington, DC 20426

Dear Ms. Salas:

Docket Nos: CP06-446-000, PF06-17-000, PF06-23-000

In accordance with our responsibilities under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing NEPA, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 office in Dallas, Texas, has completed its review of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP's request to construct and operate the East Texas to Mississippi Expansion Project. The project consists of 243 miles of natural gas pipeline and associated ancillary facilities capable of transporting up to 1.7 billion cubic feet per day of natural gas. The project will supply natural gas markets in the Gulf coast, Midwestern, Northeastern, and Southeastern United States.

The following comment is offered for your consideration.

EPA suggest suggests one correction to the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) table on p. 3-109 of the DEIS. The table in the Final EIS (FEIS) should note that on October 17, 2006 EPA revised the NAAQS for PM2.5 and PM10 (71 FR 61236). The correct PM NAAQS are as follows:

PM10: annual standard has been revoked; 24-hr standard unchanged. PM2.5: annual standard unchanged; 24-hr standard dropped to 35 ug/m3

EPA rates the DEIS as "LO," i.e., EPA has "Lack of Objections " to the proposed action as described in the DEIS. Our classification will be published in the Federal Register according to our responsibility under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act to inform the public of our views on proposed Federal actions. If you have any questions, please contact me 214-665-7451 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:jansky.michael@epa.gov">jansky.michael@epa.gov</a>.

EPA appreciates the opportunity to review the DEIS. Please send our office two copies of the FEIS when it is sent to the Office of Federal Activities, EPA (Mail Code 2252A), Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460.

Sincerely yours,

Michael P. Jansky

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